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HELPING TO BUILD UP THIS SECTION

Charlotte O' serves.

Some time ago Mr. Richard H. Edmonds, editor of The Manufacturers Record, essayed a character sketch of Mr. John T. Patrick, the founder of Southern Pines and other sand-hill communities, and the promoter of industrial education in Anson county, the builder of mountain roads and originator of community doll shows. Mr. Edmonds' idea was that Patrick had "a genius for combining big wise things with little fool things in the promotion of his schemes." To this the editor of The Southern Pines Tourist, after having had "a heart to heart" talk with Patrick, enters a mild dissent, or rather an elaboration. The secret of Patrick's success, the Southern Pines writer thinks, is in the fact that Patrick knows his constituency and adopts his methods to the people he wants to reach.

Patrick, he says, has seen in the North the effects of manual training where large amounts of money are being spent in teaching the boys and girls things that are useful in everyday life; the boys to use tools and make articles of furniture, to do carpenter work, lay brick, plaster, and the girls to keep house and make things good housewives are supposed to make.

Mr. Patrick was impressed with the importance of all this and with the further fact that Southern children not only lacked opportunities for manual training, but seemed to have little aptitude for it.

From one of his trips North he came back to Wadesboro to start

his shovel handle campaign, a most unique affair and yet nothing but an attempt to get the boys and girls of Anson county started in manual training. The shovel handle was chosen because it was an article of common use, not particularly hard to make and would be worth something when done.

He interested the school authorities and then got the boys and of Wadesboro together in an old warehouse and had somebody show them how easy it was to make a shovel handle. Then he announced a series of prizes to be given to the boys and girls, who within a certain limit, succeeded in making the best shovel handle. After he had every kid in Wadesboro interested he took two or three boys and girls who had caught the hang of it and toured the county until he had practically all the schools interested in making shovel handles.

Now to hide all this under a bushel would not have been like Patrick. He planned a big round-up in Wadesboro, with a procession of all the competing schools in Anson county in line, behind some of the county's biggest men as officers, under waving banners, while thousands of people lined the streets and felt proud.

To help draw the crowd and to amuse the people he secured a lot of side shows of the better sort until his shovel handle contest took on the proportions and characteristics of a county fair.

A great concourse of people came. The procession was an eye-opener, the county was represented, 1,200 shovel handles were made and manual training was fairly started in Anson county.

The next year Mr. Patrick instituted a butter mold contest. This was an advance over the shovel handle, inasmuch as it was more delicate and complicated introducing taste in shape, skill in decoration and other features that may be imagined. It was pushed and conducted much like the shovel handle contest, with difference enough to avoid monotony and was as great a success as the first contest. The whole State smiled at Patrick's shovel handle contest but there was a big idea in it, and before he was done the leading educators of the State were sitting up and taking notice.

He got the children of the schools to make rag rugs and then bundled up some of the best of them and sent them to Raleigh for the Governor, the Attorney General, the Superintendent of Public Instruction and others to examine. They looked at them, wrote nice letters and the whole thing encouraged the children of Anson county to go on in their manual training. No other county in North Carolina has done as much in this direction. Patrick is a wonder when it comes to doing things and getting other people to do things they would never themselves have dreamed of.

WAS HIT BY AUTOMOBILE

Ben Brown, son of Dr. and Mrs. J. S. Brown, was hit in the back by the fender of an automobile near his home on the Flat Rock drive Monday afternoon. Fortunately the machine was not going at a high speed and the accident was not serious. Ben was knocked down and put temporarily out of commission, but soon recovered. Tuesday he was playing around as usual and seemed to be none the worse for his experience.

CARNEGIE LIBRARY TO BE READY SOON

The Carnegie Library, now in course of erection, is to be completed in October. It is hoped that the library will be opened to the public a few weeks thereafter.

This handsome \$10,000 building, admirably planned and thoroughly well constructed, is Andrew Carnegie's gift to the city of Hendersonville. The attractive lot on which the building stands is the gift of Capt. M. C. and C. F. Toms. The committee in charge of the library, to whom also the city is indebted for a vast amount of arduous but necessary work, consists of W. C. Rector, B. Jackson and Capt. M. C. Toms.

The building and the lot have been given outright. The city is to operate and maintain the library. But where are the books to come from?

In a case like this, the first step is the most difficult. As soon as the start is made, the rest will be easier. It is believed that the County Board of Education will start the ball rolling. The Board has shown a marked disposition to take a broad and sensible view of its duties and powers, and it will be requested to present the library with a set of books of reference of recognized educational value. The churches of the city also will be asked to contribute, as will the Greater Hendersonville Club. Generous help is expected also from some of the larger publishing firms. All this, together with what will be given by private individuals, will supplement the

appropriation which the city will make.

Of course, at the outset, progress will not be rapid; we shall have to be content, for a time, with the day of small things. But those who have given the most thought to the matter, and who are in a position to form a trustworthy opinion, believe that progress will be far more rapid than most people imagine.

WAYNE-DIBBLE

Miss Gertrude Wayne of Charleston, S. C., and Mr. S. W. Dibble of Atlanta, Ga., were married at the home of Mrs. Lila Ripley Barnwell on Saturday August 16. Rev. J. M. Shive officiated.

Miss Wayne entered the prettily decorated room upon the arm of her brother, Mr. Wayne, and was met by the groom and his best man, Mr. Clarence Graesser. Immediately after refreshments were served Mr. and Mrs. Dibble departed for a trip through the mountains of North Carolina. They will be at home in Atlanta about September 1. Mr. Dibble is on the editorial staff of the Atlanta Constitution.

Among out of town guests were Mrs. William Locke and Walton Locke, Miss Rosa Wayne, Miss Williamson, the Misses Roman, Miss Dibble, Mr. and Mrs. Graesser, Mr. and Mrs. McGilveray, Mrs. Locke, Miss Sadie Locke, Mr. Charles Meyer, Mr. John Meyer, Mr. Alfred Roman, Mr. Wayne, and Mr. George Sands.

LOCAL NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Jenkins and children left Saturday for their home at Summerville, S. C.

W. C. Lyda has been "stopping the leak" by doing some good trucking on a vacant lot in the heart of the city. His crop of beans is a great success.

Next Sunday evening at eight-thirty o'clock the junior choir of the First Baptist Church will render the sacred Cantata by A. R. Gaul—"The Holy City."

D. S. Pace and U. G. Staton left this week for New York on business.

George G. Pardue of Charleston, S. C., is visiting his family.

The guests of Stoney Mountain Inn, near Hillgirt, were delightfully entertained by Miss Miriam Bull of Columbia, S. C., and Miss Florence Porter of Brunswick, Ga., wit a rook party. The tables were placed on the porches, the color scheme, red and white, blending beautifully with the profusion of pot plants, geraniums, fuchsias and dahlias. The guest book which contained names from many States was in charge of Miss Clara Ryles of Brunswick, Ga. A delicious sweet course was served after the games.

Rev. J. L. Brookshire has just closed a twelve days meeting at Mountain Page, a meeting which is said to be the greatest in the history of that church. Next Sunday he will baptize twenty-five persons. A number were restored. Mr. Brookshire also attended the funeral of Mr. Jant Pace's two sons who were drowned last week at Saluda. The ages of the boys were seven and nine years. There was a large gathering of friends who met to express their sympathy with the heart-broken parents.

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